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Applicant: Gilles Benoit et al. Art Unit: 1771

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Title : FIBER WAVEGUIDES AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121

Responsive to the notice mailed December 20, 2005, applicant elects Species 1, drawn to a fiber waveguide, wherein the selected wavelength is about 10.6 microns. The election is made without traverse.

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 13445-030001.

Respectfully submitted,

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